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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Certificate of Correction for U.S. Patent 7,249,047 issued on July 24, 2007. Upon reviewing the patent, the patentee noted that there was an error, which should be corrected as indicated on the attached Certificate of Correction.

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It is certified that errors appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent are hereby corrected as shown below:

Claim 6, Column 69, line 12, delete:

"
$$w_{k,LH} + u_{k,LH} + v_{k,LH} + z_{k,LH} - w_{k',LH} \le 0$$
, where (i)"

and replace with

$$\left| -w_{k,FH} + u_{k,FH} + v_{k,FH} + z_{k,FH} - w_{k,FH} \right| \le 0$$
, where (i)--

Claim 8, Column 71, lines 7 through 15, delete the first instance of sections (i) through (iv) (they were repeated):

"
$$w_{k,FH} + u_{k,FH} + v_{k,FH} + z_{k,FH} - w_{k',FH} \le 0$$
, where (i)

$$k \in C_{i}$$
, $k' \in C_{i} \setminus \Theta_{i} \setminus \Phi_{i}$, $k' >> k$, $\forall j \in J$;

$$w_{k,FH} + u_{k,FH} + v_{k,FH} + z_{k,FH} - w_{k',FH} - x_{k',i} - y_{k',i'} \le 0$$
, where (ii)

$$k \in C_i$$
, $k' \in C_i \cap \Theta_i$, $k' >> k$, $\forall j \in J$;

$$0 \le w_{k,FH} + u_{k,FH} + v_{k,FH} + z_{k,FH} - 2w_{k',FH} + x_{k',i} \le 1$$
, where (iii)

$$k\in C_{j},\quad k^{'}\in C_{j}^{'}\cap\Phi_{j}^{'},\quad k^{'}>>k,\quad \forall j\in J\;;$$

$$0 \le w_{k,FH} + u_{k,FH} + v_{k,FH} + z_{k,FH} - 2w_{k',FH} + y_{k',j} \le 1$$
, where (iv)

$$k \in C_i$$
, $k' \in C_i' \cap (\Phi_i \setminus \Phi_i')$, $k' >> k$, $\forall j \in J$;"

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Claim 9, Column 72, lines 29 through 40, delete the first instance of sections (i) through (iv) (they were repeated):

"
$$w_{k,LH} + u_{k,LH} + v_{k,LH} + z_{k,LH} - w_{k',LH} \le 0$$
, where (i)

$$k \in D_{i}, \quad k' \in D_{i}' \setminus \Theta_{i} \setminus \Phi_{i}, \quad k' >> k, \quad \forall j \in J;$$

$$w_{k,LH} + u_{k,LH} + v_{k,LH} + z_{k,LH} - w_{k',LH} - x_{k',i} - y_{k',i'} \le 0$$
, where (ii)

$$k \in D_{j}, \quad k' \in D_{j}' \cap \Theta_{j}, \quad k' >> k, \quad \forall j \in J;$$

$$0 \le w_{k,LH} + u_{k,LH} + v_{k,LH} + z_{k,LH} - 2w_{k',LH} + x_{k',i} \le 1$$
, where (iii)

$$k\in D_{j},\quad k^{'}\in D_{j}^{'}\cap\Phi_{j}^{'},\quad k^{'}>>k,\quad \forall j\in J\;;$$

$$0 \le w_{k,LH} + u_{k,LH} + v_{k,LH} + z_{k,LH} - 2w_{k',LH} + y_{k',i} \le 1$$
, where (iv)

$$k \in D_i$$
, $k' \in D'_i \cap (\Phi_i \setminus \Phi'_i)$, $k' >> k$, $\forall j \in J$;"

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